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### Office Action Summary

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10/668,626

**Applicant(s)**

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**Examiner**

Edward Tso

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**Period for Reply**

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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 February 2008.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23, 25 and 27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23, 25 and 27 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/S508)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-23, 25 and 27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Parise (US 6,114,834 & US 6,792,259).

Regarding claims 1-5, 10-18, 23, 25 and 27, the reference discloses an electronic device system 1 having, *inter alia*, a directional power beam 5, 6 such as a laser for charging a battery 13. However it shows the laser beam is mounted on the 'outside' of the battery and not within the structure of the battery housing. It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have housed the entire laser, battery and circuitry within one device based on the application, since it has been held that rearranging parts (in this case it is the laser light mounted on the upper surface) of an invention involves only routine skill in the art. *In re Japikse*, 86 USPQ 70. Moreover, to make things separable or togetherness involves only routine skill in the art based on the choice of design and function.

Regarding claims 6-9 and 19-22, the reference does not disclose the charging device being a wristwatch. However, the crux of the invention is to charge a battery using laser light. It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have applied the technique of the prior art into a charger

for a wrist watch, since it has been held to be within the general skill of a worker in the art to select a known material on the basis of its suitability for the intended use as a matter of obvious design choice. *In re Leshin*, 125 USPQ 416.

### ***Response to Arguments***

Applicant's arguments filed 2/29/2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Regarding Applicant's claim that the prior art does not teach the specific set-up of the walls as claimed, the Examiner disagrees. Basically the laser is being mounted within the housing at a claimed specific location to 'align' with the receptor to recharge the battery. Applicant has not pointed out why that particular location is important to the alignment of the laser sight. One skilled in the art would 'fine-tune' the sight of the laser by the method of 'try-and-error' to find the best location to mount the laser light.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to the Examiner at the below-listed number on every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the receptionist at (571) 272-2800, Monday-Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm, EST.

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